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#### **Public Health and You**

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Division of Environmental Health
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#### **Delegation Request**

Request for delegation Group A WAC 246-290





## **Delegation Request (cont)**

- Incorporate new federal requirements:
  - Water quality changes:
    - Stage 2 Disinfectants & Disinfection By-products (Stage 2)
  - Water treatment changes:
    - Long Term Enhanced Surface Water Treatment (LT2)





### Why is a rule revision needed?

- Maintain primacy New federal rules
- Improve public health:
  - Reduce exposure to disinfectants and their harmful by-products
  - Improved protection against Cryptosporidium found in surface water





#### Who is affected?

- Water quality changes (Stage 2):
  - About 1,100 water systems
- Water treatment changes (LT2):
  - About 172 water systems





## How are they affected?

- Water quality changes (Stage 2):
  - Standards to be met at more sites throughout the distribution system
  - Increased sampling and lab costs





#### How are they affected?

- Water treatment changes (LT2):
  - New monitoring requirements for Cryptosporidium
  - Treat based on monitoring results
  - Unfiltered sources must use more than one disinfectant
  - Water reservoirs must be covered or treated





#### **Delegation Criteria**

- Changes to meet federal rule
  - Required for primacy
- Stakeholders supportive
  - Anticipating the rules
  - No controversy



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### Thank you!

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